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Hongkong, May 19, 1881. 932

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The following ENTERTAINMENT will  
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**J. H. STEWART-LOCKART,**  
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Hongkong, July 8, 1885. 1158

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**SHARE LIST—QUOTATIONS.**  
JULY 10, 1885.

**Stocks.**  
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**Value.**  
Paid-up.

**Position per last report.**  
Reserve.

**Balance forward.**  
Last Dividend.

**Dividend.**  
Quotations.

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**OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.**  
FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.  
The Co.'s Steamship  
Ajaz, Captain Riley, will be  
dispatched as above TO-  
MORROW, the 11th instant, at Daylight.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, July 10, 1885. 1165

**UNION LINE.**  
FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.  
The Steamship  
Moser, Captain Tizon, will be  
dispatched as above TO-  
MORROW, the 11th instant, at 4 p.m., instead of as previously notified.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
RUSSELL & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, July 10, 1885. 1170

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
THE Underigned has received instruc-  
tions to Sell by Public Auction, on  
**TUESDAY,**  
the 14th July, 1885, at 2 p.m., at No. 6,  
GAGE STREET,  
THE WHOLE OF THE  
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.,  
comprising—  
CRETONNE-COVERED DRAWING-ROOM  
SUITE, CENTRE and SIDE TABLES, CHIMNEY  
GLASSES, PICTURES, CARPET and RUGS.  
DINING TABLE, SIDEBORD, WHITENOTS,  
DINING, DISHSET and TEA SETS, GLASS and  
PLATE WARE.  
AMERICAN DOUBLE BEDSTEADS, DOUBLE-  
WINGED WARDROBE with PLATE GLASS  
DOORS, BUREAU with GLASS, MARBLE-TOP  
WARRANTY and SERVICE.  
A COTTAGE PIANO.  
&c., &c.  
Catalogues will be issued.  
TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.  
J. M. ARMSTRONG,  
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, July 10, 1885. 1168

**COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES**  
**MARITIMES.**  
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**STEAM FOR**  
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with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,  
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the  
above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for  
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-  
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the  
principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until  
Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4  
p.m. Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on  
the 22nd July, 1885. (Parcels are not  
to be sent on board; they must be left at  
the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are re-  
quired.

For further particulars, apply at the  
Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, July 10, 1885. 1166

**SHIPPING REPORTS.**  
The British steamer **Greyhound** reports:  
From Pakhoi had strong winds and rain.  
In Port H.M.S. **Cochet**, and steamer  
**Alex.** From Hoihow to Macao, moderate  
S.E. winds and sea with fine weather; from  
Macao to port, fresh breezes and fine weather.

The British steamer **Emeralda** reports:  
First part light N.E. to N.W. breezes and  
fine weather; latter part moderate S.W.  
breeze and fine weather, with moderate  
S.W. swell.

The British steamer **Ajiz** reports: Had  
light head winds from Shanghai.

The Spanish steamer **Don Juan** reports:  
Had fine weather and smooth sea.

**POST OFFICE NOTICES.**  
MAILS will close:—  
For AMOY AND TAIWANFOO.—  
Per **Benedi**, at 11.30 a.m., on Saturday,  
the 11th inst.

For HONGKONG.—  
Per **Benedi**, at 11.30 a.m., on Saturday,  
the 11th inst.

For HONOLULU, MAZATLAN AND  
MEXICO.—  
Per **Mount Lebanon**, at 2 p.m., on Sat-  
urday, the 11th inst., instead of as pre-  
viously notified.

For AMOY AND MANILA.—  
Per **Emeralda**, at 4.30 p.m., on Saturday,  
the 11th inst.

For HAIKONG.—  
Per **Benedi**, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the  
11th inst.

For HONGKONG AND PAKHOI.—  
Per **Benedi**, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the  
11th inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOCHOW.—  
Per **Namoa**, at 8.30 a.m., on Sunday,  
the 12th inst.

For AMOY AND MANILA.—  
Per **Don Juan**, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday,  
the 13th inst.

For YOKOHAMA.—  
Per **Benedi**, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday,  
the 14th inst.

For STRAITS AND CALCUTTA.—  
Per **Taiwan**, at 2.30 p.m., on Saturday,  
the 11th inst.

For NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKO-  
HAMA.—  
Per **Benedi**, at 5 p.m., on Saturday,  
the 11th inst.

**MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.**  
The United States Mail Packet **City of Rio**  
de Janeiro will be dispatched on  
SATURDAY, the 11th July, with Mails  
for Japan, San Francisco, the United  
States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru,  
&c., which will be closed as follows:—  
2.15 p.m. Registry closes.  
2.30 p.m. Post-Office closes, but Corre-  
pondence may be posted on board the  
Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents extra  
Postage until the time of departure.

**THE CHINA MAIL.**  
HONGKONG, FRIDAY, JULY 10, 1885.

**THE FRANCO-CHINESE TREATY.**  
The fact of primary importance in the  
new Franco-Chinese Treaty—the only  
point, indeed, of importance in that  
much-laboured and painfully-begotten  
document—is the establishment of a  
contentious frontier between France  
and China. For the first time in her  
history of two thousand and odd years,  
whatever it may be, China has on her  
southern border a power greater than her-  
self. Instead of having to deal with timid  
half-savage chiefs, who looked up for  
light and leading to the glorious bright-  
ness of the Imperial countenance and  
centred in an honour to be enrolled in  
the list of tributaries, her border officers  
will henceforth have to reckon with the  
representatives of one of the foremost  
powers of the world. It is true that  
some power has made but a sorry ap-  
pearance in these parts for the last  
twelve months, but no one doubts for a  
moment that, if France had really  
chosen to put forth her strength, and  
had her counsels not been distracted by  
faction at home, she would now be in  
possession of Peking and might be

dictating whatever terms she pleased.  
As it is, however, direct relations, poli-  
tical and commercial, are now for the  
first time established on the land side  
between China and a State with a high  
civilization and of greater material  
strength than her own. For good or  
for worse, this is an accomplished fact  
that will never be undone. It is an-  
other step forward in the ever-moving  
machinery of progress—another point  
marked on the dial of time. One more  
obstacle of Chinese obstructiveness has  
been forced out of the path, another  
scale in her armour of exclusiveness has  
been torn aside.

Beyond establishing this fact, how-  
ever, we do not anticipate that the con-  
clusion of the Treaty will be productive  
of any immediate change in our condi-  
tions in these parts, either politically or  
commercially. We think it highly pro-  
bable that in this not perhaps very dis-  
tant future it may be pregnant with  
great political changes affecting the  
foreign relations of China, but that de-  
pends very much on how China herself  
will respond to the altered circum-  
stances, and also on what the French  
succeed in making of their new possession.

For the present both parties are so  
heartily sick of the war that they will,  
we believe, be only too glad to leave  
things quiet, and neither is likely for a  
good many years to do anything to pro-  
voke a renewal of the contest. In re-  
gard to commercial matters, we must  
wait for the conclusion of the supple-  
mentary clauses for the regulation of the  
overland traffic, which has to be  
arranged within three months, before we  
can pronounce any decided opinion.  
But even if the terms are as favorable  
to France as she could wish, which is  
very doubtful, we see no reason for an-  
ticipating any great development of  
trade for a great number of years. It  
is true a new country will be tapped,  
and that is always something; but we  
ourselves have tapped China pretty freely  
all round, and have not in these last  
tappings—Wenchow and Pakhoi, for  
example—drawn much to the purpose.  
How, then, the French with a long land  
transit, assuming even the railroad to  
be built, are to make a success where we,  
with all the advantages of a sea route  
and cheap steam communication, have  
not particularly succeeded, we fail to see.

Yunnan may be a province rich in  
minerals and may be a country of vast  
possibilities; we do not doubt it. At  
the present moment it is one of the  
poorest; and we only say to those who  
expect to see a trade of any value in two  
or three years, even in ten or twenty,  
that they are pretty sure to be dis-  
appointed. That Yunnan may one day  
become a province of vast wealth and  
with a large foreign trade, and that  
Tonquin may in time become a property  
of great value we do not deny; but cer-  
tainly neither the one nor the other is  
likely to be realized for many years, and  
whether they ever will be depends upon  
so many contingencies that it would be  
more guess work to hazard any opinion  
about it. There is, at the same time,  
every reason for the Chambers of Com-  
merce to keep themselves alive to the  
possibilities which the favoured nation  
presents.

The only other article in the Treaty  
that will attract attention is the one re-  
ferring to railways. But minutely ex-  
amined, it really amounts to nothing at  
all. France says that it is her purpose  
to promote the construction of railways  
in Tonquin, and promises that if China  
should ever want to build railways too,  
she can have the assistance of French  
experts for that purpose. China pro-  
mises nothing at all, but on the con-  
trary throws in a remark which can  
only be construed to mean that she  
shall be under no obligation to ask for  
French assistance unless she chooses.  
Now France having got, by what we  
consider



W. DOERNBECK  
Government Astronomer,  
Hongkong Observatory, July 10.

1. **BAROMETR**, reduced to 32 degrees  
Fahrenheit, and to the level of the sea in fog  
and handbells.

2. **TEMPERATURE**, in the shade in  
Fahrenheit.

3. **HUMIDITY**, in percentage of saturation  
of air saturated with moisture  
100.

4. **DIRECTION OF WIND**, to two points  
of the compass.

5. **FORCE OF WIND**, according to  
Scale.

6. **STATE OF WEATHER**, 5 lines of  
text: cloud, 4; drizzling rain, 4; fog,  
4; hail, 4; rain, 4; overcast, 7; passing  
gale, 1; rain, 2 snow; 1 thunder, 5;  
7 dew (rain).

7. **DEW**, in inches (text and humidity)



